

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph appearing on page 5, beginning at line 23 and ending on page 6, at line 2 as follows:

A1 In the preferred embodiment the firewall 24 of the first business enterprise location 32 is connected with a dedicated Internet connection 38 to a plurality of remote clients 14. Preferentially, the remote clients 14 that are connected to the Internet connection 38 access data at the business enterprise 18 through the Internet connection 38 using a browser application. The Internet connection 38 gives the remote clients 14 the ability to gain access to information and data content contained on the database server 22, the application server 26 and the web server 28. For a detailed discussion of the architecture for the preferred netcentric computing system 12, refer to co-pending U.S. patent application Serial Number \_\_\_\_\_ entitled Number 09/676,227 entitled ARCHITECTURES FOR NETCENTRIC COMPUTING SYSTEMS, which was filed on September 29, 2000, and is hereby incorporated by reference, in its entirety.

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No fees are believed required for this Preliminary Amendment. However, should any fees be deemed required, please charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

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